



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
) Group Art Unit 1654
Sheabar, et al.)
)
Serial No. 09/900,057) Examiner: Patricia A. Patten
Filed: July 6, 2001)
For: Method for Controlling the Yield and)
Purity of Proteinase Inhibitor II)
During Extraction)

PETITION TO ADD CROSS-REFERENCE TO CO-PENDING APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(3)

Mail Stop Petitions
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Crystal City, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application for United States Letters Patent, Applicant hereby petitions that the application be amended to add that it is a continuation-in-part of co-pending United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/900,055, which was also filed July 6, 2001.

A copy of an Amendment adding the reference required under 35 U.S.C. Section 120 and paragraph (a)(2) of Rule 78 is enclosed. The entire delay between the date the claim was due under paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of Rule 78 was unintentional. The undersigned has firsthand knowledge of the facts set out in this Petition.

This Petition is accompanied by the 17(t) fee in the amount of \$1,330.

01/08/2004 MAHMED1 00000074 09900057

01 FC:1454

1330.00 DP

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Jan. 5, 2004

Kent A. Herink

Kent A. Herink

Registration No. 31,025

DAVIS, BROWN, KOEHN,
SHORS & ROBERTS, P.C.

666 Walnut St., Suite 2500

Des Moines, Iowa 50309

Telephone: (515) 288-2500

ATTORNEYS FOR APPLICANT